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Docket No. 4439-4041

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s):	Kazuaki ISHIHARA, et al.	Confirmation	9383
Serial No.:	10/574,056	Group Art	1621
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For:	METHOD FOR PRODUCING ESTER CONDENSED PRODUCT		

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated September 18, 2007 in which claims 1-28 were subjected to restriction. The applicants provisionally elect to prosecute **Group II** (*i.e.*, claims 17-28), drawn to a catalyst for preparing an ester condensate. Entry and consideration of the amendment is respectfully requested.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.